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TITLE OF INVENTION: CUSTOMER PROFILING APPARATUS FOR CONDUCTING CUSTOMER BEHAVIOR PATTERN ANALYSIS, AND METHOD FOR COMPARING CUSTOMER BEHAVIOR PATTERNS

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Daniel Hu on 8/10/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 11 is amended as follows:

11. A profiling apparatus, comprising:

a data warehouse for storing customer records including telephone call data;

a profiling engine <u>having a processor and</u> configured to communicate with the data warehouse and operative to generate customer telephone calling behavior profiles from the customer records within the data warehouse, the profiling

engine being configured to define customer telephone calling behavior profiles using probability distributions, and to compute the customer telephone calling behavior profiles using OLAP operations on multi-dimensional and multi-level data cubes, one multi-level data cube being a profile cube, another multi-level data cube being a profile-snapshot cube, and yet another data cube being a

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profile cube formed by merging together the profile cube and the profilesnapshot cube; and

a computer application program implemented on the profiling engine and operative to represent behavior profiles as patterns, using the telephone call data, and derive similarity measures of the patterns usable to profile customer behavior and detect fraud by deriving calling pattern cubes from the profile cubes using a probability distribution-based calling pattern, treating a sub-cube as a bag, and summarizing cell-wise comparison results based on bag overlap.

Claim 17 is amended as follows:

17. A method for comparing customer behavior patterns,

comprising:

providing call data in the form of call data records to a data warehouse;

loading the call data records into a multidimensional database of an

OLAP server;

maintaining profiles by staging data between the data warehouse and the OLAP multidimensional database;

generating , <u>using a system having a processor</u>, a profile-snapshot cube accommodating multiple

customers;

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in combination with generating the profile-snapshot cube, generating a profile cube for the same set of customers from the data warehouse;

updating the profile cube by merging the profile cube with the profile-snapshot cube;

storing the updated profile cube in the data warehouse; and deriving similarity measures of patterns usable to profile customer behavior and detect fraud by deriving calling pattern cubes from the updated profile cube using a probability distribution-based calling pattern, treating a subcube as a bag, and summarizing cell-wise comparison results based on bag overlap.

Claim 25 is amended as follows:

25. A profiling apparatus, comprising:

a data warehouse for storing customer records including telephone call data;

a profiling engine <u>having a processor and</u> configured to communicate with the data warehouse and operative to generate customer telephone calling behavior profiles from the customer records within the data warehouse, the profiling engine being configured to define customer telephone calling behavior profiles using probability distributions, and

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to compute the customer telephone calling behavior profiles using OLAP operations on multi-dimensional and multi-level data cubes, one multi-level data cube being a profile cube, another multi-level data cube being a profile-snapshot cube, and yet another data cube being a profile cube formed by merging together the profile cube and the profile-snapshot cube; and

a computer application program implemented on the profiling engine and operative to represent behavior profiles as patterns, using the telephone call data, and derive similarity measures of the patterns usable to profile customer behavior and detect fraud by deriving volume based calling pattern cubes comprising count-cubes from the profile cubes using a probability distribution-based calling pattern, treating a sub-cube as a bag, and summarizing cell-wise comparison results based on bag overlap using cell-to-subcube mapping, the count cubes having non-negative integer cell values, and the bag overlap enables comparison of corresponding sub-cubes of distinct count cubes.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17-22, 25-32 are allowed.
- 3. Since allowable subject matter has been indicated, applicant is encouraged to submit formal drawings in response to this Office Action. The early submission of formal drawings will permit the Office to review the drawings for acceptability and to

resolve any informalities remaining therein before the application is passed to issue. This will avoid possible delays in the issue process.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance. None of the prior art of record either individually or in combination teach the following:

-an OnLine Analytical Processing (OLAP) based scalable profiling engine communicating with the data warehouse and operative to build and update customer behavior profiles by mining the customer telephone call records that flow into the data warehouse

-computing the customer telephone calling behavior profiles using OLAP operations on multi-dimensional and multi-level data cubes, one multi-level data cube being a profile cube, another multi-level data cube being a profile-snapshot cube, and yet another data cube being a profile cube formed by merging together the profile cube and the profile-snapshot cube

-maintaining profiles by staging data between the data warehouse and the OLAP multidimensional database;

The present invention discloses a customer profiling apparatus for conducting customer telephone behavior pattern analysis on telephone call records including telephone call data. The first allowable feature of having an OnLine Analytical Processing (OLAP) based scalable profiling engine communicating with the data warehouse and operative to build and update customer behavior profiles by mining the customer telephone call records that flow into the data warehouse is not disclosed by

any prior art reference. The closest prior art, Murad et al (US 6,526,389) shows a telecommunications apparatus and method for detecting any unusual activity in customer behavior, where a comprehensive behavior profile of a customer including a short-term customer behavior obtained from all of the customer's transactions, and a long-term customer behavior obtained on the basis of the generated short-term behavior. In Murad et al, any behavior deviation from the profile is detected and identified as fraudulent or unusual. The next closest prior art, McDonough et al (US 6,115, 693) discloses a Quality Center for a Virtual Sales and Service Center responsible for monitoring the "customer experience" across the telephone customer access resource, and assists in managing the business of operating multiple call centers as a single Virtual Sales and Service Center. In McDonough et al, the Quality Center performs analysis 610 on call center statistics in conjunction with Direct Banking Finance, and make recommendations for improvement, where he statistics to be analyzed are those that are linked to the most critical performance measurements in the Performance Measurement DPM. Capabilities for on-line analytical processing (OLAP) enable quality center executives to gather performance information and analyze trends and statistics for operational management of the virtual environment. Newly cited art, Taniguchi et al discloses an identification of a fraudulent call with a neural network where the method involves using a statement data record resulting from a call by device of a neural network for the recognition of a fraud. The next closest newly cited art, Derks et al discloses using OLAP and datacubes to select a subset of views to be materialized from a set of views in a telecommunication service. However, Murad et al,

McDonough et al Taniguchi et al, and Derks et al all fail to disclose the feature of an OnLine Analytical Processing (OLAP) based scalable profiling engine communicating with the data warehouse and operative to build and update customer behavior profiles by mining the customer telephone call records that flow into the data warehouse. This distinct feature has been added to independent claims 1 and 28, and renders them and all claims that depend from them allowable.

The second allowable feature of computing the customer telephone calling behavior profiles using OLAP operations on multi-dimensional and multi-level data cubes, one multi-level data cube being a profile cube, another multi-level data cube being a profilesnapshot cube, and yet another data cube being a profile cube formed by merging together the profile cube and the profile-snapshot cube is not disclosed by any prior art reference. The closest prior art, Murad et al (US 6,526,389) shows a telecommunications apparatus and method for detecting any unusual activity in customer behavior, where a comprehensive behavior profile of a customer including a short-term customer behavior obtained from all of the customer's transactions, and a long-term customer behavior obtained on the basis of the generated short-term behavior. In Murad et al, any behavior deviation from the profile is detected and identified as fraudulent or unusual. The next closest prior art, McDonough et al (US 6,115, 693) discloses a Quality Center for a Virtual Sales and Service Center responsible for monitoring the "customer experience" across the telephone customer access resource, and assists in managing the business of operating multiple call centers as a single Virtual Sales and Service Center. In McDonough et al, the Quality

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The third allowable feature of maintaining profiles by staging data between the data warehouse and the OLAP multidimensional database is not disclosed by any prior art reference. The closest prior art, Murad et al (US 6,526,389) shows a telecommunications apparatus and method for detecting any unusual activity in customer behavior, where a comprehensive behavior profile of a customer including a

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by mining the customer telephone call records that flow into the data warehouse. This distinct feature has been added to independent claim 17, and renders it and all claims that depend from it allowable.

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Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Akiba K Robinson-Boyce whose telephone number is 571-272-6734. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9am-5:30pm.

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A. R. B. August 17, 2010

> /Akiba K Robinson-Boyce/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3628